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In re the Application of

Naoto NAKAMURA et al.

Application No.: 10/528,069

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Docket No.: 122733

For: THERMAL TREATMENT APPARATUS, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SUBSTRATE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
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